On motion of Senator Williams, of Harford, At 8.35 P. M.,

The Senate adjourned.

TUESDAY, Jan. 16, 1900.

Senate met at 12 M.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Southerland.

Present at roll call the following Senators:

Messrs. President, Applegarth, Baker, Beasman, Betts, Bouic, Bryan, Crothers, Dennis, Dick, Dodson, Kirwan, Marsh, Messick, Moore, Moses, Peter, Putzel, Rohrback, Wilkinson, Williams, of Har., Williams, of A. A—22.

The Journal of Monday's session was read and approved.

## PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND OTHER PAPERS.

Mr. Williams, of Harford, submitted the following communication:

To the Hon. John Hubner,

President of the Senate,

The undersigned minority members of the Senate, respectfully protest against being deprived of the representation upon the chief working committees of this Body, to which their numbers, parlimentary usage and the precedents of the Senate entitle them. The eleven (11) of them constitute over two-fifths (2-5) the members of the Chamber, and they have only been allowed one representative upon each of said committees. In 1894, with less than one-fifth (1-5) the membership, the minority was allowed the same representation thereon as now. In 1898, when the Republicans were in control,